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SUBJECT: TRANSMISSION OF PRESIDENTIAL LETTER

1. PLEASE DELIVER THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT
FORD TO PRESIDENT-ELECT LOPEZ PORTILLO:

BEGIN QUOTE:

NOVEMBER 24, 1976

DEAR MR. LOPEZ PORTILLO:

I VERY MUCH APPRECIATE YOUR KIND INVITATION TO ATTEND
YOUR INAUGURATION AS PRESIDENT OF MEXICO ON DECEMBER 1.
YOU KNOW OF MY STRONG FRIENDSHIP FOR MEXICO, AND I RECALL
WITH PLEASURE OUR MEETING AND CONVERSATIONS IN WASHINGTON
DURING YOUR SEPTEMBER VISIT.

ALTHOUGH IT WILL NOT BE POSSIBLE FOR ME TO ATTEND THE
INAUGURATION, I HAVE ASKED SECRETARY OF STATE HENRY A.
KISSINGER TO HEAD THE DELEGATION OF DISTINGUISHED AMERICANS
WHO WILL REPRESENT THE UNITED STATES. IN ADDITION, AS AN
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EXPRESSION OF MY PERSONAL INTEREST I HAVE ASKED MY SON JACK

TO BE A MEMBER OF THE DELEGATION.

MRS. FORD JOINS ME IN SENDING TO YOU AND MRS. LOPEZ
PORTILLO OUR WARM PERSONAL REGARDS AND BEST WISHES FOR THE
SUCCESS OF YOUR ADMINISTRATION AND THE PROSPERITY AND WELL
BEING OF MEXICO AND ITS PEOPLE.

SINCERELY,

GERALD R. FORD

END QUOTE.

2. THE WHITE HOUSE WILL NOT RELEASE TEXT OF MESSAGE, BUT
HAS NO OBJECTION TO RELEASE BY GOM. ROBINSON

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